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In re Patent Application of Confirmation No.: 3753

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Serial No.: 10/581,411 Group Art Unit: 2616

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For: A METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A SYSTEM FORMED FROM

INTERDEPENDENT UNITS

<u>VIA EFS-WEB</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

The present Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed September 29, 2008 in the above-identified application. A Petition for a two-month Extension of Time is filed herewith. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM X (\$195 SE or \$39										\$0	
* not less than 20 ** not less than 3 TOTAL \$0											

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CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.

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